

BECOME A DOCENT

at the
Tijuana River
National Estuarine Research Reserve



**Share your
love of
nature with
young
people**

**Join a team
of volunteers
dedicated to
the
environment**

**Become more
involved in
your
community**

**Educate
children on
the value of
the natural
world**

JOIN US!
Class begins
February 16th.



What is a docent? Docents are highly trained volunteers who promote a greater understanding and appreciation for the natural history and environment of the Tijuana Estuary and surrounding coastal areas.

What activities do docents participate in? Docents help educate students during school field trips and in our Junior Ranger program. Docents also participate in special events and nature walks.

Who can become a docent? Anyone can become a docent. No experience is necessary and full training is provided. If you are interested in sharing your love for nature with the thousands of children, families, and adults that visit the Reserve each year, then please join our team!

How do I become a docent? Prospective docents must complete a Volunteer Application, participate in an interview with the Volunteer Coordinator, and attend our 7-week, 30 hour training course.

What will I learn in the docent training? At the training, you will study a wide range of topics, including biology, history, paleontology, botany, oceanography, ecology, herpetology, ornithology, and interpretive methods. You will spend time in the classroom and outdoors with local experts and a team of volunteers.

When and where is the docent training? The docent training will be held on the following Saturdays from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Tijuana Estuary Visitor Center: 2/16, 2/23, 3/1, 3/8, 3/15, 3/29, & 4/5.

How can I learn more? Contact Sarah Emerson, Volunteer Coordinator, at 619.575.3613 x330 or semerson@parks.ca.gov.

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